port bringing out discrimination against women workers in India in the matter of wage-bill, and health--care and suggesting measures for the improvements in their conditions; and

(b) if so, what were the main observations and suggestions made in the World Bank Report regarding the condition of women labourers in India and improvements therein ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The World Bank Report on Gender and Poverty in India (1991) covers within the scope of its study areas such as women's status and role in agricultural and non-agricultural sectors like dairing, forestry and the urban informal sector; women's access to social services like education, health, nutrition and family care ; the institutional context of efforts made by Government and the NGOs to reach women. Some of the major observations made in the report are that despite their statistical 'invisibility' women are vital and productive workers in Indian economy, the poorer the family the more it depends for its survival on the women's earnings; that India invests less in its women workers than their male counter-parts; that women receive a smaller share of the social services in terms of health-care, education and productive assets. It further observes that there is a shift in the trend followed in the past where programmes targeted women as passive beneficiaries and also the gap between male and female agricultural wage rates have narrowed. The suggestions made include viewing women as economic actors and enhancing their capacity for earning, increasing their access to education and technical training on a massive scale as also their access to institutional credit and supportive services for health, child-care and family planning, group formation and advocacy.

Recommendations of ILO report on employment generation

4355. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report about the International Labour Organisation (ILO) published in the Hindustan Times of 4th April, 1994 under the caption 'Reforms need human face';

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of the ILO Report particularly relating to employment, generation and poverty alleviation ; and

(c) what are the details of the recommendations which Government have so far considered and accepted ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Report titled "India : Employment, Poverty and Economic Policies", prepared under a Project sponsored by the UNDP under Technical Support Services, has observed that the stabilisation measures have induced industrial recession and have involved outs in public expenditure on anti-poverty programmes. The report has pointed out that "both the level of underemployment and the incidence of poverty have very probably increased since 1991 although this cannot be empirically confirmed". The Government is aware of any possible adverse consequences of economic reforms in the short-run and has, therefore followed a conssious policy to minimise the social cost of reforme. Following the manoeuvrability gained through overall fiscal correction allocations for social sectors and poverty alevi-ation programmes were significantly stepped up during 1993-94. The 1994-95 Budget carries forward this process of higher allocations for social sectors, rural development and anti-poverty programmes. Government's success in bringing down the rate of inflation since 1991 would have benefited the poor.

Banning the use of child labour in carpet factory

4356. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to bring about certain amendments as to child labour abuse such as the banning the use of child labour in carpet factories, as demanded by the International Community ; and

(b) whether in this context the rampant abuse of child labour in beedi industry and the fire works and match factories, which continues despite provisions of law, is also proposed to be more effectively prevented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) Child Labour in the Carpet Weaving Industry is already prohibited under Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Setting up of an infrastructure development fund

4357. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to set up an infrastructure development fund for reconstruction of bridges, culverts, schools and hospital buildings blown off by the terrorists in the Jammu and Kashmir ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Plan Allocation for Rural Development, Social Welfare and Women & Child Development Programme

4358. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) how much amount has been allocated to the various States and particularly Haryana under the head Rural Development, Social Welfare, Women and Child Development Programme during the year 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94;

(b) how much of the amount has been utilised/unutilised under the above heads during the said period ; and

(c) what is the formula of allocation for the above mentioned schemes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) State's approved/actual expenditure/revised outlay for Annual Plan 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 under the heads Rural Development and Social Welfare including Women and Child Development Programme are given in Annexure containing Table I and II. [*See* Appendix 170 Annexure No. 83].

(c) Sectoral allocations are decided by the Planning Commission in consultation with the State Governments during the Annual Plan discussions.

उत्तर प्रदेश के लिए विकास आयोग का गठन

4359. **श्री ईशदत्त यादव :**
चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :

क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार उत्तर प्रदेश के पूर्वी क्षेत्र के समग्र विकास के लिए एक विकास आयोग का गठन करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य-मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो) : (क) और (ख) भारत सरकार के पास उत्तर प्रदेश के पूर्वी क्षेत्र के समग्र विकास हेतु विकास आयोग गठित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है; किसी राज्य में किसी क्षेत्र विशेष का विकास करना संबंधित राज्य सरकार का उत्तर-दायित्व है । तथापि, उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने राज्य के पूर्वी भाग में चुनींदा विकास परियोजनाओं के वित्त-पोषण हेतु वर्ष 1990-91 से पूर्वांचल विकास निधि नामक निधि निकाय की स्थापना की है ।

आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान राज्यों के लिए विनिर्धारित धनराशि

4360. **श्री शंकर दयाल मंत्री : क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :